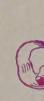


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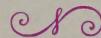
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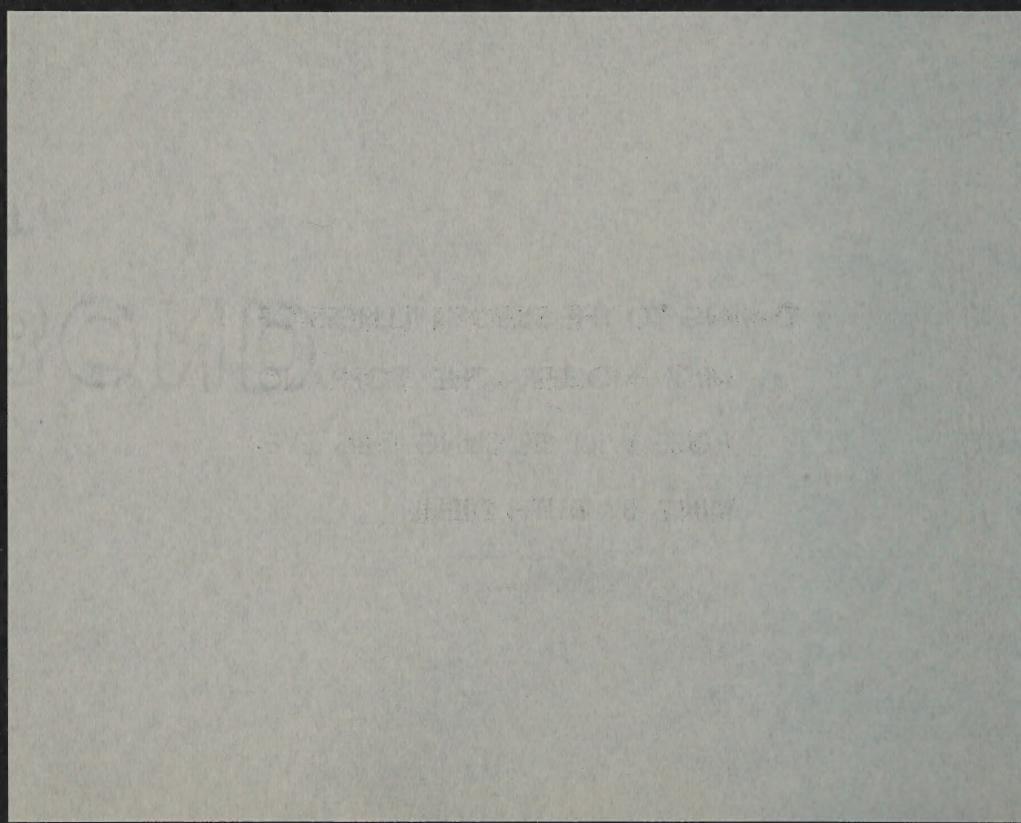
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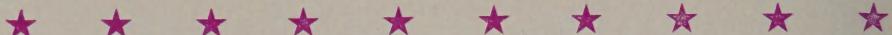
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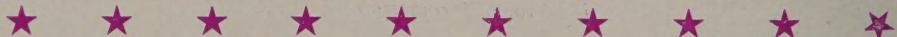
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Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto, "In God is our trust!"
And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!



FRANZ JOSEF HAYDN

Born at Rohrau, Austria, March 31, 1732.

Died at Vienna, May 31, 1809

THE CREATION

Oratorio, composed 1795-98. Produced in the Imperial and Royal Theatre, near the Burg, Vienna, under the composer's direction, March 19, 1799. Text, originally German, selected and arranged by Baron van Swieten; the Scriptural portions from Genesis, i; the others, from Milton's Paradise Lost, chiefly Books vii. and viii. Seventy-seventh performance by the Handel & Haydn Society; first time, February 16, 1819, in Boylston Hall.

CHARACTERS

GABRIEL	Soprano.
URIEL	Tenor.
RAPHAEL	Bass.
ADAM	Bass.
EVE	Soprano.

INTRODUCTION. — Representation of Chaos. Largo

RECITATIVE.

Raphael.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth; and the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep.

CHORUS.

And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

RECITATIVE.

Uriel.

And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

AIR.

Now vanish before the holy beams
The gloomy shades of ancient night;
The first of days appears.
Now chaos ends, and order fair prevails.
Affrighted fly hell's spirits black in throngs:
Down they sink in the deep abyss
To endless night.

CHORUS.

Despairing, cursing rage attends their rapid fall.
A new-created world springs up at God's command.

RECITATIVE.

Raphael.

And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the

firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

Now furious storms tempestuous rage.
Like chaff, by the winds impelled are the clouds,

By sudden fire the sky is inflamed,
And awful thunders are rolling on high.

Now from the floods in steam ascend
reviving showers of rain,
The dreary wasteful hail, the light and flaky snow.

AIR. — Gabriel.

The marvellous work behold amaz'd
The glorious hierarchy of heaven;
And to th' ethereal vaults resounds
The praise of God, and of the second day.

CHORUS.

And to th' ethereal vaults resounds
The praise of God, and of the second day.

RECITATIVE.

Raphael.

And God said, Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together in one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering of waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

AIR.

Rolling in foaming billows,
Uplifted, roars the boisterous sea.
Mountains and rocks now emerge,
Their tops among the clouds ascend.
Through th' open plains, outstretching wide,
In serpent error rivers flow.
Softly purling, glides on
Through silent vales the limpid brook.

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RECITATIVE.

Gabriel.

And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit-tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

AIR.

With verdure clad the fields appear,
Delightful to the ravish'd sense;
By flowers sweet and gay
Enhanced is the charming sight.
Here fragrant herbs their odours shed;
Here shoots the healing plant.
With copious fruit the expanded boughs
are hung;
In leafy arches twine the shady groves;
O'er lofty hills majestic forests wave.

RECITATIVE.

Uriel.

And the heavenly host proclaimed the third day, praising God, and saying:

CHORUS.

Awake the harp, the lyre awake,
And let your joyful song resound.
Rejoice in the Lord, the mighty God;
For He both heaven and earth
Has clothed in stately dress.

RECITATIVE.

Uriel.

And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of heaven, to divide the day from the night, and to give light upon the earth; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and for years. He made the stars also.

In splendor bright is rising now the sun,
And darts his rays; a joyful, happy spouse,
A giant proud and glad
To run his measur'd course.
With softer beams, and milder light,
Steps on the silver moon through silent night.
The space immense of th' azure sky
A countless host of radiant orbs adorns.
And the sons of God announced the fourth day,
In song divine, proclaiming thus His power:

CHORUS.

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of His work displays the firmament.

TRIO.

To day that is coming speaks it the day,
The night that is gone to following night.

CHORUS.

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of His work displays the firmament.

TRIO.

In all the lands resounds the word,
Never unperceived, ever understood.

CHORUS

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of His work displays the firmament.

RECITATIVE.

Gabriel.

And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

AIR.

On mighty pens uplifted soars
The eagle aloft, and cleaves the air
In swiftest flight, to the blazing sun.
His welcome bids to morn the merry lark,
And cooing calls the tender dove his mate.
From ev'ry bush and grove resound
The nightingale's delightful notes;
No grief affected yet her breast,
Nor to a mournful tale were tun'd
Her soft, enchanting lays.

RECITATIVE.

Raphael.

And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth; and God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful all, and multiply.

Ye winged tribes, be multiplied,
And sing on every tree; multiply,
Ye finny tribes, and fill each wat'ry deep;
Be fruitful, grow, and multiply,
And in your God and Lord rejoice.

And the angels struck their immortal harps, and the wonders of the fifth day sung.

TRIO.

Gabriel.

Most beautiful appear, with verdure young adorn'd,

The gently sloping hills; their narrow sinuous veins
Distil, in crystal drops, the fountain fresh and bright.

Uriel.

In lofty circles play, and hover, in the air,
The cheerful host of birds; and as they flying whirl,
Their glittering plumes are dy'd as rainbows by the sun.

Raphael.

See flashing through the deep in thronging swarms
The fish a thousand ways around.
Upheaved from the deep, th' immense Leviathan
Sports on the foaming wave.

Gabriel, Uriel, Raphael.

How many are Thy works, O God!
Who may their number tell?

TRIO AND CHORUS.

The Lord is great, and great His might,
His glory lasts for ever and for ever more.

RECITATIVE.

Raphael.

And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth, after his kind.

Straight opening her fertile womb,
The earth obey'd the word,
And teem'd creatures numberless,
In perfect forms, and fully grown.
Cheerful, roaring, stands the tawny lion.
With sudden leap
The flexible tiger appears. The nimble stag
Bears up his branching head. With flying mane,
And fiery look, impatient neighs the noble steed.
The cattle, in herds, already seek their food
On fields and meadows green.
And o'er the ground, as plants, are spread
The fleecy, meek, and bleating flocks.
Unnumber'd as the sands, in swarms arose
The host of insects. In long dimension Creeps, with sinuous trace, the worm.

AIR.

Now heaven in fullest glory shone;
Earth smil'd in all her rich attire;

The room of air with fowl is filled;
The water swell'd by shoals of fish;
By heavy beasts the ground is trod;
But all the work was not complete;
There wanted yet that wondrous being,
That, grateful, should God's power admire,
With heart and voice His goodness praise.

RECITATIVE.

Uriel.

And God created Man in His own image, in the image of God created He him. Male and female created He them.

He breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and Man became a living soul.

AIR.

In native worth and honor clad,
With beauty, courage, strength, adorn'd,
Erect, with front serene, he stands
A man, the lord and king of nature all.
His large and arched brow sublime
Of wisdom deep declares the seat!
And in his eyes with brightness shines
The soul, the breath and image of his God.

With fondness leans upon his breast
The partner for him form'd,
A woman, fair and graceful spouse.
Her softly smiling virgin looks,
Of flow'ry spring the mirror,
Bespeak him love, and joy, and bliss,

RECITATIVE.

Raphael.

And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And the heavenly choir, in song divine, thus closed the sixth day:

TRIO.

Gabriel and Uriel.

On Thee each living soul awaits;
From Thee, O Lord, all seek their food;
Thou openest Thy hand,
And fillest all with good:

Raphael.

But when Thy face, O Lord, is hid,
With sudden terror they are struck;
Thou tak'st their breath away,
They vanish into dust:

Gabriel, Uriel, and Raphael.

Thou sendest forth Thy breath again,
And life with vigor fresh returns;
Revived earth unfolds new strength
And new delights.

CHORUS.

Achieved is the glorious work;
Our song let be the praise of God.
Glory to His Name forever.
He sole on high exalted reigns.
Hallelujah.

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INTRODUCTION. — Morning. Largo.

RECITATIVE.

Uriel.

In rosy mantle appears, by music sweet awak'd,
The morning, young and fair.
From heaven's angelic choir
Pure harmony descends on ravish'd earth.
Behold the blissful pair,
Where hand in hand they go: their glowing looks
Express the thanks that swell their grateful hearts.
A louder praise of God their lips shall utter soon; then let our voices ring,
United with their song.

DUET.

Adam and Eve.

By Thee with bliss, O bounteous Lord,
Both heaven and earth are stor'd;
This world so great, so wonderful,
Thy mighty hand has fram'd.

CHORUS.

For ever blessed be His power,
His Name be ever magnified.

RECITATIVE.

Adam.

Our duty we have now perform'd,
In offering up to God our thanks.
Now follow me, dear partner of my life!
Thy guide I'll be, and every step
Pours new delights into our breasts,
Shows wonders everywhere.
Then may'st thou feel and know the high degree
Of bliss the Lord allotted us,

And with devoted heart His bounties celebrate.

Eve.

O thou for whom I am, my help, my shield,
My all, thy will is law to me:
So God our Lord ordains; and from obedience
Grows my pride and happiness.

DUET.

Adam and Eve.

Adam. Graceful consort, at thy side
Softly fly the golden hours:
Ev'ry moment brings new rapture,
Ev'ry care is lull'd to rest.

Eve. Spouse adored, at thy side
Purest joys o'erflow the heart;
Life and all I have is thine;
My reward thy love shall be.

RECITATIVE.

Uriel.

O happy pair! and happy e'er to be,
If not misled by false conceit,
Ye strive at more than granted is,
And more desire to know than know ye should

CHORUS.

Sing the Lord, ye voices all,
Magnify His name thro' all creation,
Celebrate His power and glory,
Let His name resound on high.
Praise the Lord. Utter thanks.
Jehovah's praise forever shall endure.
Amen.

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CHILDREN'S CLOTHING CRUSADE

A Children's Clothing Crusade is being conducted in the public schools of the country. Five hundred school systems raised 600,000 pounds of clothing in 1942. The goal for 1943 is 1,500,000 pounds of clothing to be distributed among underprivileged American children in isolated rural areas and overseas child war victims. Through the distribution of clothing and shoes in the mountain areas last year, 40,000 children were enabled to attend school. Two recent shipments have been made to Puerto Rico, and ten tons of clothing monthly are furnished to Great Britain.

SPONSORED SCHOOLS

The Federation has 400 sponsored small mountain and rural schools, popularly called "Demonstration Schools". These schools are being aided by individuals as well as organizations. They make for a better school and community life, improved school attendance and healthier children. A donation of \$60 will sponsor one of these schools for one year.

LAYETTES

The need for layettes for expectant mothers in the isolated rural and mountain areas of the Southern Mountains and other similar sections is great. There is a humanitarian appeal in a project to relieve this condition in sections where it is difficult to obtain doctors and sanitary and health aid is at a low ebb. Therefore, the Federation's National Layette Committee is appealing for funds and practical volunteer help. Five dollars will provide material for one layette. An appeal is also being made to churches and other organizations to form sewing groups.

IN GREAT BRITAIN

The organization has extended supplemental aid to more than 12,000 individual children through its "adoption plan," by which the donor receives a picture of the child he or she is aiding, and a brief history. In addition, 29 nurseries in England and Scotland are being maintained through the Federation. They are supported by colleges, cities, states, and many different types of organizations. Massachusetts in particular assists Broadgate at Barnstaple, Worcester House at Forthill, and Southannon at Fairlie.

INTERNATIONAL UNION

The Save the Children Federation is a member of the Save the Children International Union, which had branches in 26 countries before the outbreak of the war. The British member, with which the Federation cooperates closely, is the Save the Children Fund. The Union was organized in 1920. The Federation extends welfare service to children without regard to race, color or creed.

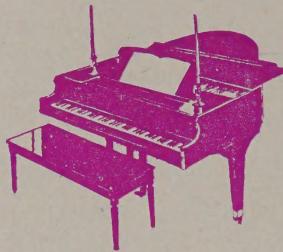
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